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AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND ADP COMMITTEE (NCCDPC)

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SUMMARY: SHAPE LIKELY WILL OPPOSE FAVORABLE ACTION BY THE  
NCCDPC ON RECOMMENDATIONS IN PARA 3, AC/284-WP/87 PERTAIN-  
ING TO FORMATION OF THE ALLIED TACTICAL DATA SYSTEMS  
INTEROPERABILITY AGENCY (ATADSIA). THE PRIMARY REASONS ARE  
THAT ATADSIA WOULD INFRINGE ON RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE  
MAJOR NATO COMMANDERS AND THE RECOMMANDATIONS IN PARA 3,  
WP/87 CONFLICT WITH APPROVED RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE LTDP.  
END SUMMARY.

1. REFTEL PROVIDES GUIDANCE FOR THE US REP TO THE  
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EIGHTEENTH MEETING OF THE NCCDPC. THIS GUIDANCE INCLUDES,  
INTER ALIA, AUTHORIZATION TO CONCUR IN PARA 3 OF AC/284-  
WP/87 PERTAINING TO FORMATION OF THE ATADSIA. WE HAVE  
LEARNED THAT IN ALL PROBABILITY SHAPE WILL OPPOSE  
FORMATION OF ATADSIA AT THIS TIME. (THE SHAPE POSITION  
DEVELOPED BY ASCAC (STONEY) AND ISD (MALLORIE) REQUIRES  
ONLY APPROVAL BY THE CHIEF OF STAFF.) THIS OPPOSITION

IS BASED ON THREE POINTS, AS FOLLOWS:

- A. THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERFACE STANDARDS LEADS TO STATEMENTS OF REQUIREMENTS, WHICH IS A RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MAJOR NATO COMMANDERS.
- B. SHAPE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACECCIS PROGRAM (A RESPONSIBILITY IT WILL NOT RELINQUISH). INTEROPERABILITY BETWEEN THIS "STRATEGIC" SYSTEM AND NATIONAL TACTICAL CCIS IS ESSENTIAL, AND SHAPE IS BEST PREPARED TO WORK OUT THE REQUIRED INTERFACE REQUIREMENTS.
- C. THE PROPOSED WORK FOR ATADSIA CONFLICTS WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LTDP TASK FORCE 6 REGARDING TACTICAL ADP. DEFENSE MINISTERS ALREADY HAVE AGREED TO THE STUDY PHASE OF THIS PROGRAM (IDENTIFY DATA EXCHANGE REQUIREMENTS), A NECESSARY PRELUDE TO SPECIFYING INTERFACE STANDARDS.

2. COMMENT. WE AGREE THAT, AS STATED IN EXPLANATORY REMARKS IN PARA 9, REF, THE ACTION ASKED OF THE NCCDPC ON THIS ITEM IS NOT DIRECTIVE. HOWEVER, NATIONAL INDORSEMENT OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE NCCDPC IMPLIES NATIONAL SUPPORT IN OTHER SENIOR NATO FORUMS. IN VIEW OF THE EXPECTED SHAPE POSITION AND THE POSSIBLE APPEARANCE OF UNDERMINING LDTP RECOMMENDATIONS, WE RECOMMEND THAT  
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WASHINGTON RECONSIDER THE GUIDANCE IN PARA 9, REFTEL.  
END COMMENT. WILSON

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